

WAC 197-11-970 Determination of nonsignificance (DNS).

DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE

Description of proposal: Amend the Skagit River Instream Resources Protection Program, creating water reservations for future agricultural, domestic, and stock watering needs which are not subject to interruption when minimum stream flows are not met, provide protection for water levels in lakes and ponds, close tributaries to the Skagit River from any additional consumptive water withdrawals, and provide a framework for future water right permitting in the basin.

Proponent: Washington State Department of Ecology, Water Resources Program

Location of proposal, including street address, if any: The Upper and Lower Skagit River basins, WRIA 3 and 4, are located in portions of Whatcom, Skagit, and Snohomish Counties.

Lead agency: Washington State Department of Ecology, Water Resources Program

The lead agency for this proposal has determined that it does not have a probable significant adverse impact on the environment. An environmental impact statement (EIS) is not required under RCW 43 21C.030 (2)(c). This decision was made after review of a completed environmental checklist and other information on file with the lead agency. This information is available to the public on request.

☐ There is no comment period for this DNS.

☐ This DNS is issued after using the optional DNS process in WAC 197-11-355. There is no further comment period on the DNS.

☒ This DNS is issued under WAC 197-11-340(2); the lead agency will not act on this proposal for 14 days from the date below. **Comments must be submitted by January 20, 2006.**

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